

**CITY OF MILPITAS
SENIOR ADVISORY COMMISSION**

Minutes:	Senior Advisory Commission
Date of Meeting:	June 22, 2004
Place of Meeting:	Milpitas City Hall, Committee Meeting Room

**I. CALL TO ORDER
& PLEDGE**

Chairperson Weisgerber called the meeting to order at 1:30 pm, and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Commissioners Present: Denny Weisgerber, Mary Banick, Bal Daquigan, Bakshish Sandhu, Amanda Santos, Albert Wang, Milo Larsen and Ed Conner

Commissioners Absent: Joanne Wood

Alternates Present: Joyce Dovlet

Council Liaison: Vice Mayor Trish Dixon

Alternate: Joyce Dovlet was seated for Joanne Wood

Staff Present: Lynette Wilson, Recreation Program Coordinator
Tesa Laird, Public Services Assistant

II. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOTION: To adopt the Agenda.
M/S: Banick/Wang
Ayes: Unanimous

III. MINUTES

MOTION: To approve the Minutes of the April 27, 2004, Senior Advisory Commission meeting.
M/S: Banick/Daquigan
Ayes: Unanimous

IV. FINANCIAL REPORT

Recreation Program Coordinator Wilson explained that there had been no activity on the account.
MOTION: Note receipt and file.
M/S: Daquigan/Wang
Ayes: Unanimous

V. CITIZEN FORUM

None.

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VI. ANNOUNCEMENTS/ CORRESPONDENCE

Recreation Program Coordinator Wilson reviewed the items listed in the agenda highlighting the 4th of July events planned and the "Cartwheels" Art In The Park Unveiling, Sunday July 4, 2004.

VII. OLD BUSINESS

1. Senior Center Projects

Recreation Program Coordinator Wilson gave an update on the progress of the renovation, informing the commission that renovation would begin next month. The project consists of three different phases. The first phase is the kitchen and restrooms, Phase 2 is the game room, program staff offices and storage area, and Phase 3 is the front desk and coordinator office. Renovation will take place in the evenings and weekends and should take about 90 days.

2. Continuation of Future Focus/Project Of Senior Advisory Commission

Recreation Program Coordinator Wilson gave an overview from the April 27th commission meeting. Chairperson Weisgerber suggested forming a subcommittee. Commissioner Banick suggested having another walk-a-thon. Vice Mayor Dixon mentioned that the GreatMall will be celebrating their 10th Anniversary in September and that she would speak to Jennifer Munn at the GreatMall, who is planning different events for their celebration. Commissioner Santos suggested a pet walk-a-thon.

VIII NEW BUSINESS

1. Project Lifesaver

Chairperson Weisgerber requested moving the first item under New Business up to allow the guest speaker time to talk. Sgt George Schifano of the Santa Clara Sheriffs Office presented information on Project Lifesaver. This new program uses bracelets with transmitters to assist in the tracking of people who have wandering tendencies due to mental disabilities, such as Alzheimer's and Autism. Each bracelet has its own frequency and has a transmitting range of a few miles on ground and 5-7 miles by helicopter. At this time there are 15 clients in Santa Clara County. Sgt Schifano indicated that to date, over 870 searches have been done with a 100% success rate in finding the missing persons alive, most within 30 minutes. The only fee to the participant is \$25 each month for a volunteer to visit the person and replace the bracelet's battery.

Chairperson Weisgerber asked for a motion to recommend to City Council to promote Project Lifesaver in the community.

M/S: Connor/Banick
Ayes: Unanimous

2. TRIP Program Use by Commissioners

Commissioners Sandhu and Bakshish requested this item be discussed. They believe that the program is inconvenient for seniors and that the forms are difficult to fill out. Janice Nadal, Junior Transportation Planner, reminded the Commission of the participation requirements for the TRIP program and why the ECO Pass was no longer available. Vice Mayor Dixon asked that the item be placed on the Transportation Subcommittee Agenda. Staff was requested to inform the Commission of the Subcommittee's action.

IX. OTHER BUSINESS

1. STAFF REPORTS

1.1 Recreation Services

Ms. Wilson read the report as noted on page 2 of the agenda.

1.2 Senior Center Nutrition

Ms. Wilson read the report as noted on page 3 of the agenda, adding that the Senior Center now offers several new choices each day for lunch.

2. LIAISON REPORTS

2.1 City Council

Vice Mayor Dixon informed the Commission of the VTA Light Rail Opening Event at the GreatMall on Wednesday, June 23, 2004. She also reminded them of the City's Commissioner Recognition on July 23, 2004, which will also feature a dedication ceremony of the "Cartwheels" sculpture in front of City Hall.

**2.2 Council on Aging
Advisory Commission**

Chairperson Weisgerber reported that the clarification of the Prescription Bill is still being worked on. He reminded Commissioners to be careful with any prescription card they might have because it may not work as it was advertised.

2.3 AARP

Commissioner Banick informed the commission of AARP's Sock Hop that will be held on Friday, September 10, 2004. It will be held at the Community Center, 6:00-10:00 pm. The group is seeking donations of decorating supplies, prizes, refreshments and financially to assist with putting on the event. Vice Mayor Dixon offered a \$100 donation to kick off the AARP's sponsorship.

2.4 Nutrition Site Council

Joyce Dovlet reported the Nutrition Site Council's account balance is \$427.57.

2.5 Arts Commission No report

**2.6 Parks, Recreation and
Cultural Resources
Commission** No report

2.7 50th Anniversary Update Commissioner Santos gave an update on the status of the subcommittee's meeting on May 19, 2004. So far, the subcommittee has spent \$29,000 of their budget, with mementos purchased for July 4th and other events. Approximately 200 History books have been sold. She also reported that photos of events are on display and the display case at City Hall has been changed. The Subcommittee is currently working on the conceptual ideas for the 50th Anniversary Time Capsule that will be opened on the City's 75th Anniversary. Items for the Time Capsule will be selected this December and planted in January 2005.

X. Adjournment Meeting adjourned at 2:40 pm. The next meeting is scheduled for, August 24, 2004, at 1:30 pm, in the City Hall Committee Meeting Room.

Respectfully submitted,
Tesa Laird, Commission Secretary